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## Lower Snake River study comment period ends March 31

**Walla Walla, Wash.** -- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers study officials want to remind the public that the comment period for the draft of the Lower Snake River Juvenile Salmon Migration Feasibility Report and Environmental Impact Statement ends on March 31.

The Corps' draft feasibility report and environmental impact statement was released in December 1999 and focuses on ways to modify the four lower Snake River dams to improve migration conditions for juvenile salmon and steelhead listed under the Endangered Species Act.

Public meetings for the Corps' Draft Feasibility Report/ Environmental Impact Statement were held throughout the region in February and March. More than 8,700 people attended the meetings. To date, the Corps has received more than 30,000 written comments.

"Written and oral comments have the same weight," said Greg Graham, study project manager. "We are particularly interested in comments that focuses on the information that is published in our draft report."

Comments may be sent by email to <u>salmonstudy@usace.army.mil;</u> by mail to Department of the Army, Walla Walla District Corps of Engineers, Attn: Lower Snake River Study; 201 North Third Avenue, Walla Walla, WA 99362, or by fax to (509) 527-7832.

For more information on the Corps' Lower Snake River FR/EIS visit www.nww.usace.army.mil.